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Merriam-Webster Inc. Company information Main Entry: ad-ja-cent (\*)
Pronunciation: &-'jA-s\*nt

Function: adjective

Etymology: Middle English, from Middle French or Latin; Middle French, from Latin *adjacent-, adjacens,* present participle of *adjacEre* to lie near, from *ad- + jacEre* to lie; akin to Latin *jacere* to throw -- more at JET

1 a: not distant: <u>NEARBY</u> <the city and *adjacent* suburbs> b: having a common endpoint or border <*adjacent* lots> <*adjacent* sides of a triangle> c: immediately preceding or following

2 of two angles: having the vertex and one side in common - ad-ja-cent-ly adverb

synonyms ADJACENT, ADJOINING, CONTIGUOUS, JUXTAPOSED mean being in close proximity. ADJACENT may or may not imply contact but always implies absence of anything of the same kind in between <a house with an adjacent garage>. ADJOINING definitely implies meeting and touching at some point or line <had adjoining rooms at the hotel>. CONTIGUOUS implies having contact on all or most of one side <offices in all 48 contiguous states>. JUXTAPOSED means placed side by side especially so as to permit comparison and contrast <a skyscraper juxtaposed to a church>.



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